

Department of Planning and Budget
2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1796

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Knight

3. Committee: House Committee on General Laws

4. Title: Alcoholic beverage control; operation of government store by distiller licensee.

5. Summary: Allows the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to appoint a distiller licensee or its officers and employees as agents of the Board for the sale of spirits, manufactured by or for, or blended by such licensee on the licensed premises, at government stores established by the Board on the distiller's licensed premises, provided the agency agreement prohibits such agents from selling spirits to mixed beverage licensees.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary (see Item #8)

8. Fiscal Implications: As of December 2014, there were 10 distillery stores operating in the Commonwealth. This bill would allow the Alcoholic Control Board (ABC) to enter into contract with more distiller licensees to permit them to engage in common business practices, such as selling its products on-premises (for off-premise consumption only) and offering tasting samples. According to ABC, the bill is not expected to have a material fiscal impact on agency operations.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: ABC

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None